

WILSON POLICIES ATTACKED BY G.O.P. SPEAKER IN MAINE

Augusta, Me., April 9.—An attack on President Wilson's Mexican and Panama Canal tolls policies was made by Congressman John A. Peters of this state in his address as presiding officer of the Republican state convention here today.

"I have great admiration and respect for President Wilson," said Mr. Peters, "but no one but the blinded partisan or one who has given the matter no thought can have the slightest respect for the foreign policy of his administration, especially in Mexico. Indeed, it cannot be properly called a policy at all, because it is unintelligible and aimless."

He declared that by refusing to recognize Huerta, the President "lost his greatest opportunity to establish some kind of order in Mexico and save thousands of lives and countless treasure."

"During this 'watchful waiting' process of the administration," Mr. Peters continued, "lives and property of our own and other citizens are being destroyed. England and other countries have acted with extraordinary forbearance, but the limit must be reached some time. The Mexican policy of the administration has ex-

cited the surprise and contempt of European countries. "It looks in Washington as if England had our administration in a hole. Apparently she has taken advantage of the situation and said to the administration, 'Kindly have your Congress reverse its action in giving your coastwise vessels a right to go through the Panama Canal free and we will keep out of Mexico.'"

"To repeal the free tolls law under the present circumstances admits that we had not the right to pass it. It changes the whole result of the stupendous work, smashes the Monroe doctrine and will change the history of this country."

Speaking of state issues, Mr. Peters urged the convention to declare itself against re-submission to the people of the prohibitory amendment to the state constitution.

U. S. AMMUNITION IS SEIZED IN IRELAND

Dublin, April 10.—Ten thousand rounds of ammunition which the customs officers seized at Kingstown harbor are said to be of American manufacture. It was shipped from Holyhead, England, by the regular channel steamer to the coast of Ireland, not for the Ulstermen.

The Associated Advertising Clubs of America opened a three-day convention at Indianapolis, Ind.

OHIO'S NEW CODE FOR STATE SCHOOLS

Agriculture Must Be Taught in All Village and Rural School Houses.

The General Assembly of Ohio in special session has just finished a complete revision of the State school code. Sweeping changes are made in the public-school system. It is doubtful if there has ever been more constructive and progressive school legislation enacted by a single session of the legislature in any other State within the last half century.

To get a clear understanding of how all this was accomplished, it is necessary to know something of the Ohio State school survey which preceded this legislation. The story of this survey is given in the report to the governor of Ohio by the State school survey commission which was created by an act which passed the general assembly Feb. 26, 1913, to conduct a survey of the public schools, normal schools, and the agricultural schools of the State. The survey was a co-operative field study conducted by Dr. Horace L. Brittain, of the New York Training School for Public Service. It comprised an intensive study of 553 rural village schools in 38 counties, and an extensive study of 9,000 school-rooms and 395 school systems; it was participated in by 44 professional school teachers for the training of teachers and 116 students in these institutions most of whom had had experience in rural teaching, 395 superintendents of schools and other school men and women, and 9,000 teachers who supplied information for the commission. It was a State-wide revival in school conditions. By proclamation, Governor Good named November 14, 1913, as State school survey day for the entire State, in which he said, "Let it be a day of genuine awakening. The necessity and opportunity of the hour call for it." It is estimated that 4,000 community meetings were held on this date where probably 500,000 citizens of Ohio learned of school conditions throughout the State and listened to the remedies suggested for improvement.

The commission in its letter of transmittal says: "We have tried to make a matter of fact statement of the results of our field work. Our motto has been, 'Nothing extenuate nor set down aught in malice.' We have taken no pleasure in laying bare deplorable conditions. We believe the simple statement of these conditions will do much to bring about the reforms which we urge. We have also found much to commend—good teachers, good conditions, and a good spirit. On these we must build."

The recent school legislation in Ohio was enacted in the light of this survey. The more important provisions are:

1. New rural school supervision law. Under this act the school districts of the State are to be styled respectively, city-school districts, village-school districts, rural-school districts, and county-school districts.
2. New certification law. There is to be a State board of school examiners, consisting of five competent persons, residents of the State, to be appointed by the superintendent of public instruction, not more than three of whom shall belong to the same political party.
3. Law on the training of teachers for village and rural schools. Boards of education which maintain first grade high schools in village or rural districts may establish normal departments in such schools for the training of teachers for village and rural schools. Not less than one nor more than three such schools shall be established in any county. The superintendent of public instruction is to designate schools to establish such departments.
4. Law basing the distribution of the State school fund on the number of teachers and average daily attendance of pupils.
5. Law on minimum salaries for teachers. No person shall be employed to teach in any public school in Ohio for less than \$40 a month. When a school district has not sufficient money to pay its teachers salaries for eight months of the year, after the board of education of such district has made the maximum legal school levy, three-fourths of which shall be for the tuition fee, then such district may receive from the State treasurer sufficient money to make up the deficiency.
6. Law for State aid to weak school districts appropriate the balance of former appropriations and the sum of \$85,000.
7. Law on the inspection of high schools. The superintendent of public instruction shall appoint two competent high-school inspectors, not connected with any college or university, two public high-school inspectors selected from the faculty staff of the college of education of the Ohio State University, and one public high-school inspector from each of the faculties of the Ohio normal colleges at Oxford and Athens and the Ohio normal schools at Kent and Bowling Green.
8. Law providing that agriculture shall be taught in all the common schools of all village and rural-school districts which are supported in whole or in part by the State. It may be taught in city-school districts at the option of the board of education. Four district State supervisors of agricultural education are to be appointed by the superintendent of public instruction.
9. Law on standardization of village and rural schools. Instead of examining the pupils for admission to high schools the elementary rural schools from which they come are to be examined in equipment, courses of study provided with competent and ever-present supervision, and standardized so that the school as a teacher may stand the test as well as the pupil.

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Fairfield County News

Town Meetings.
Ridgefield has levied a tax of 8 1/2 mills.
Danbury has voted a city tax of 10 mills.
Wilton has levied a tax of 13 mills, an increase of two mills.

Didn't Like Spelling.
Elderly observers, who have been watching the progress of a love affair between a charming young woman and a young man of this city say that an interesting situation has arisen, an estrangement, and that matters have been declared off on the part of the youthful swain because the maiden sought inspiration with which to interpose and amuse her young man in the dusty pages of an old spelling book. The girl had always had a hobby for spelling and was the proud possessor of many prizes taken in spelling bees, and it occurred to her that this might be a new and novel way of interesting the gallant swain. She had not heard of it being used before, and determined to try it. Accordingly the girl started to display her intellectualty in this line. Now spelling was one of the subjects that the youth was not long on. He did his best to fathom the mysteries of the spelling book, but every time the girl brought out the old spelling book, he fell down on some simple syllable. A few nights of the agony and he decided to touch the spelling class, even if Cupid were teacher. The moral, as George Ade might say, is: "Love has a code, but don't try to spell it out." Danbury News.

Twenty-Second Week of International Egg Contest.
The twenty-second week of the Third International Egg Laying Contest at Storrs developed a new high record for the weekly production. There was a net gain of 40 eggs or a total yield of 3649 eggs for the week. The individuals including White and Barred Plymouth Rocks, White and Buff Wyandottes, Rhode Island Reds and Buff Leghorns laid seven eggs each during the week. Number 10, a pen of Rhode Island Reds from Harrisburg, Pa., particularly distinguished herself by producing two eggs on Thursday.

The English pen of White Wyandottes owned by Tom Barron got first place for the week with a yield of fifty-nine eggs. Frank L. Tuttle's pen of Barred Plymouth Rocks from Ashland, Mass., were a close second with fifty-eight eggs to their credit. Albert T. Lehen's White Rocks from North Attleboro were an equally close third with a yield of fifty-seven eggs for the week.

A week or two ago the management of the competition gave out the chick feeding formulas on which the experimental pens of Leghorns were reared. It is one of these same pens that last week was tied for second place of all pens in the competition and which in this writing is occupying second place by a margin of eight eggs and has a total yield of 742 eggs since November 1. These Leghorn pullets were not hatched until the last of May. The white of the egg is the thing out of which the chick is made and if this is allowed to evaporate too much not enough is left to make a large strong chick. For incubators that are equipped with moisture devices, perhaps one of the simplest methods of supplying additional moisture is to use a pint cup on the egg tray itself with a sponge in it.

The ten leading pens to date are as follows:
Tom Barron, Catforth, England, 596
White Wyandottes, Mt. Carmel, 744
Francis F. Lincoln, Mt. Carmel, 708
White Leghorns, 708
Neale Bros., Apponaug, R. I. White Wyandottes, 704
Merrithought, Farm, Columbia, 704
White Wyandottes, 704
Dr. J. A. Pritchey, Harrisburg, Pa., 657
S. C. Rhode Island Reds, 657
Cecil, Guernsey, East, Cobleskill, N. Y., 622
White Leghorns, 622
James F. Francis, West Hampton, L. I., N. Y., Barred Plymouth

LIVE STOCK MARKET
New York, April 9.—Common to prime steers sold at \$7 to \$9.10 per 100 lbs.; bulls at \$5.50 to \$7.50; tail-ends at \$5; common to choice cows at \$3.25 to \$6.75; one extra stable fed cow at \$7.25. Dressed beef 11 1/4 to 12 1/4 for native sides. Common to choice veals sold at \$8.50 to \$12 per 100 lbs.; culls at \$7 to \$8; butter-milks and fed calves at \$7 to \$7.50. City dressed veals 14 1/2 to 15c; a few at 15 1/2c; country dressed 11 1/4 to 15c. Common to prime sheep (ewes) sold at \$5.25 to \$6.50 per 100 lbs.; prime clipped sheep at \$6.07 1/2; spring lambs at \$6.35 per head; common to prime unshorn lambs at \$7.50 to \$8.60 per 100 lbs.; good clipped lambs at \$7.50. Dressed mutton 9 1/2 to 12c per lb.; choice wethers 12 1/2 to 15c; dressed lambs 12 1/2 to 15c; country dressed hothouse lambs \$5 to \$7 per carcass. Good heavy to light hogs sold at \$9.25 to \$9.40 per 100 lbs.; a few at \$9.50; roughs at \$8.10 to \$8.20; a few at \$8.50. Country dressed hogs 9c to 12c.

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ILLINOIS WOMEN RENEW FIGHT FOR SUFFRAGE
Chicago, April 9.—Declaring that women demonstrated their desire to vote at Tuesday's township elections, women suffrage leaders today began a movement for full suffrage for the women of Illinois. This could be obtained only through a change in the state constitution.

Under the equal suffrage act passed by the last legislature women cannot vote for state officials, members of the legislature, members of Congress or other national offices. The law granted them the vote on questions of public policy and for city officers provided by statute.

A conference called by Secretary Lane to decide upon new policies for development of western lands by irrigation was opened at Denver, Col.

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